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TITLE: METHOD AND CIRCUIT FOR CONTACTLESS IGNITION OF A
WELDING ARC WITH HIGH FREQUENCY IGNITION PULSE
PACKETS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of this patent application,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.